

## REMARKS

### Summary

Claims 1-8 were pending. Claims 5-8 have been withdrawn and Claims 9-13 added. No new matter has been added as a result of this response.

### Election

In response to the Restriction Requirement, requiring election between:

Group I, Claims 1-4, drawn to a head gimbal assembly with a magnetic head;  
and

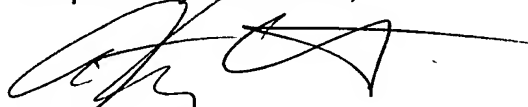
Group II, Claims 5-8, drawn to a method for manufacturing a head gimbal assembly with a magnetic head

Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-4, drawn to a head gimbal assembly with a magnetic head. New Claims 9-13 are similarly drawn to Group I, a head gimbal assembly with a magnetic head.

### Conclusion

If the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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